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TO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

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TAGS: OVIP (EASUM)

SUBJECT: VISIT TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

REFS: BLANTYRE 1290; DAR ES SALAAM 3349

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM EASUM

1. WHILE I CANNOT BE DEFINITIVE ABOUT PROGRAM UNTIL I HEAR FURTHER FROM AMBASSADOR CARTER ON MEETING WITH NYERERE, FEEL IT MOST LIKELY THAT I WILL STAY WITH PRESENT TRAVEL SCHEDULE AND THEREFORE SUGGEST YOU PROCEED WITH MAKING YOUR PLANS ACCORDINGLY. WOULD HOPE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FINAL WORD NO LATER THAN OCT. 10.

2. YOUR PROPOSED PROGRAM APPEARS EXCELLENT WITH ONE OR TWO VARIATIONS THAT I WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER.

3. UPON ARRIVAL BLANTYRE SATURDAY, OCT 26, WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO LEAVE ALMOST AT ONCE FOR LAKE MALAWI IN ORDER TO SEE EMBASSY COTTAGE ON ZOMBA PLATEAU. PERHAPS WE COULD HAVE LATE LUNCH OR AT LEAST TEA THERE OR AT NEAR-BY INN. THEN IN LINE WITH YOUR SUGGESTION, WE WOULD PROCEED TO LAKESHORE COTTAGE FOR OVERNIGHT.

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4. FOR SUNDAY, OCT 27, PREFER OPTION ONE WITH VIEW TO

LEAVING EARLY NEXT MORNING FOR DRIVE TO LILONGWE FOR

QUICK VISIT OF NEW CAPITAL AND RETURN TO BLANTYRE BY
COMMERCIAL AIR. WHILE IN VICINITY OF LILONGWE WOULD VERY
MUCH LIKE TO MAKE CALL AT BUNDA AGRICULTURE COLLEGE IF
FEASIBLE AND TIME WOULD PERMIT.

5. REST OF SCHEDULE FINE. I WILL NOT BE BRINGING FORMAL
MORNING WEAR, BUT IF DARK SUIT ACCEPTABLE WILL BE
DELIGHTED TO ATTEND OPENING OF PARLIAMENT AND RECEPTION
AFTERWARDS. KISSINGER

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